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MEMORANDUM OF CONVERSATION

Subject: Informal Discussions on the United States Standard Draft Treaty of Friendship, Commerce and Navigation

Participants: For the Ministry of Foreign Affairs:

Mr. Morio YUKAWA, Director, Economic Affairs Bureau
Mr. Kenichi OTABE, Vice Director, Economic Affairs Bureau
Mr. Haruki MORI, Chief, First Section, Economic Affairs Bureau
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For the Office of the United States Political Adviser, Japan:

Mr. Jules BASSIN, Legal Attache
Mr. Dudley G. SINGER, Commercial Attache
Mr. Robert W. ADAMS, Second Secretary

Place: Office of the United States Political Adviser, Tokyo, Japan.

Date: Monday, March 17, 1952. EIGHTH INFORMAL MEETING

Mr. Adams stated that the comments on the first two Memoranda of Conversation had been received from Mr. Mori, and that the American side was now ready to discuss the changes to these Memoranda proposed by the Japanese representatives. Mr. Adams added that the Japanese side was entirely free to propose that any comments attributed to the Japanese representatives be changed, but that it was understood that the American side reserved the right to modify its own comments or replies presently on record in the light of the Japanese revisions.

Mr. Yukawa replied that this was clearly understood, and proposed that discussion begin with the Japanese comments on the Memorandum of Conversation on the first informal meeting held on February 25, 1952.

At the end of the afternoon session both sides agreed that there were no further changes to be made in the wording of the first Memorandum of Conversation. Mr. Adams stated that this would now be typed in final form, and would be ready for initialling within the following few days. Mr. Yukawa replied that the Japanese side was ready to accept the revised memorandum as final, and proposed that the next meeting be held on Thursday, March 18, 1952, to discuss the proposed changes to the Memorandum on the second meeting.

/s/ M. Yukawa

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